

REMARKS

The application has been amended to place the application in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

Claims 1-25 were previously pending in the application. Claim 19 is cancelled. Therefore, claims 1-18 and 20-25 are presented for consideration.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-18 and 21-25. In reliance thereon, claim 21 is rewritten in independent form based on claim 19.

Claims 1, 18, 21 and 25 are amended to change "operating range" to "operating voltage range" as suggested in the Official Action. Claims 21 and 25 are further amended as suggested in the Official Action. The above-noted changes are believed to address the claim objections noted in the Official action.

Canceling claim 19 and amending claim 20 to depend from allowable claim 21 is believed to render moot the rejection over HORIE et al. 6,054,887.

Since the claims remaining in the application are indicated as allowable or depend from an allowable claim and since the formal matters are believed addressed, the application is believed in condition for allowance. An early notification of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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